

# HEADS UP!

## Please Check Admission Status

As with past semesters, please check the admission status of each student in your professional education classes for Winter 2005. Students can get a copy of their admission card from 206 Porter. If a student is not admitted, s/he should withdraw from the course so that s/he does not earn an "E" grade.

Below is a sample admission card.

This is to certify that		VOID
Name		VOID
MAJOR	Student Number	VOID
has been admitted to the College of Education Eastern Michigan University		
MINORS		VOID
VOID		VOID
COE Admissions		Date

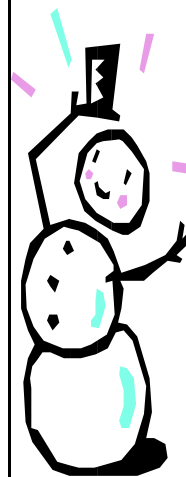
Occasionally, there will be licensed teachers taking Reading courses or other methods courses. They will not have an admission card since they are coming back only for the purpose of "continuing certification". We can verify that a student is admitted for continuing certification (487-3415, 206 Porter) if you have such a student in your class.

We will audit class rosters for admission status. It is better to bring admission issues to our attention during the first week of classes instead of allowing non-admitted students to remain in class.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Shawn Quilter (487-7120 ext. 2544, [squilter@emich.edu](mailto:squilter@emich.edu)).

### Chemistry MTTC Subject Area Study Guides Available

Dr. Larry Kolopajlo from EMU's Department of Chemistry has put together some practice tests for the MTTC subject area test in chemistry. Interested students should be directed to the front desk of Halle Library where they can check out these practice tests while in the library.



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# Advising Process for Visual Arts Education

Prospective art teachers follow the Visual Arts Education (VAE) major at EMU. Their advising process is as follows: 1) FastTrack or initial advising from the Academic Advising Center (301 Pierce), 2) Secondary Group Advising, 3) meet with Dr. Yang or another VAE advisor in the Art Department for orientation and program information, 4) if needed, meet with Dr. Myers for evaluation of art transfer courses, then 5) return to an individual VAE advisor, as needed, for individualized advising.



The Department of Art is located in 114 Ford Hall (734-487-3388).

## Self-Guided Placement for Composition Courses (ENGL 120 and ENGL 121)

Beginning Fall 2005, EMU students will use “self-guided” placement for ENGL 120 and ENGL 121. Students will evaluate their own writing skills and determine the best placement on an individual basis (see <http://www.emich.edu/english/gsp/>.) This process will replace the use of ACT English scores for placement purposes.

ENGL 121 will continue to be the composition course required for general education at EMU. Students with ACT English scores of 29 or higher may still waive the requirement. Students with ACT English scores below 19 used

to be required to take ENGL 120 before ENGL 121. While students can choose to place themselves directly in ENGL 121, they should do a careful “self-guided placement” since writing is a skill that is essential to academic success. Remember, students must earn a “C” or higher in ENGL 121.

If you have any questions about self-guided placement, please contact Linda Adler-Kassner ([linda.adler-kassner@emich.edu](mailto:linda.adler-kassner@emich.edu)) in the English Language and Literature Department.

### EMU's Teacher Job Fair

The Teacher Job Fair will be held at the EMU Convocation Center on Thursday, April 14, from 9 am until 4 pm. Information will be forthcoming at <http://career.emich.edu/new/tjf/>.

### Have a Wonderful Holiday Season!



Have an enjoyable and restful holiday season. Thank you for everything you do to make sure EMU students get the right advising information in a timely manner.

## Did You Know?

- \* Students completing teacher certification requirements by the end of Fall 2004 (i.e. December 2004) can expect “90-day” eligibility letters by the third week of January 2005. Students can use “90-day” eligibility letters to show that they are eligible for teacher certification in Michigan. For post-baccalaureate students, “90-day” letters come from Christine Lancaster. For SEM-T students, “90-day” letters come from Joan Quinlan. For regular undergraduates, “90-day” letters come from University Records in 303 Pierce Hall. Since student records need to be carefully audited in order to determine eligibility, University Records needs until

the END of January to send all of the letters. Please explain this to your advisees and thank them for their understanding and cooperation. Early eligibility letters are not possible for a program our size.

- \* Students seeking special education certification on an *elementary certificate* sometimes choose elementary minors like social studies group, language arts group, reading, arts group, ECE, and integrated elementary science. Advising for the elementary social studies group, language arts group, reading, ECE, and arts group minors takes place in the Department of Teacher Education (487-3260, 313 Porter).
- \* Current teachers can look up their Michigan teacher certification information at [http://meis.mde.state.mi.us/teachercert/sr\\_teaCerts.asp](http://meis.mde.state.mi.us/teachercert/sr_teaCerts.asp).



## Group Science, General Science, and Integrated Science

Group Science (Elementary) and General Science (Secondary) are being phased out. Students who are pursuing those majors and minors should ALREADY be admitted to the Teacher Preparation Program (i.e. COE). If you have any students pursuing those majors or minors, without current admission to the program, please ask them to make an appointment with Shawn Quilter (206 Porter, 487-3415).

The Elementary Integrated Science major and minor are currently available for students seeking elementary certification. Although we do **not** have a major in Secondary Integrated Science, we anticipate MDOE approval of that major sometime in early 2005. There will be **no** Secondary Integrated Science minor. Advising for the Secondary Integrated Science major will take place in the Department of Physics & Astronomy (303 Strong Hall, 487-4144).

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